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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 2626

Docket No.: 826.1726

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yoshio NAKAO

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Group Art Unit: 2626

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For: APPARATUS FOR READING A PLURALITY OF DOCUMENTS AND A METHOD THEREOF

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attention: BOX AF

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 23, 2009, and having a period for response set to expire on April 23, 2009. This amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.